

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
WACO DIVISION**

<b>ROCK CREEK NETWORKS, LLC,</b>  Plaintiff  v.  <b>CASWELL INC.,</b>  Defendant	<b>Case No. 6:21-cv-00082</b>  <b>JURY TRIAL DEMANDED</b>
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**COMPLAINT FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT**

Plaintiff Rock Creek Networks, LLC (“Plaintiff” or “RCN”) files this Complaint against Defendant CASwell Inc. (“CASwell” or “Defendant”) for infringement of RCN’s patent: U.S. Patent No. 6,671,750 (PX-750 attached).

**THE PARTIES**

1. Plaintiff and patent owner RCN is a Texas limited liability company with its headquarters and principal place of business in Waco, Texas.
2. On information and belief, Defendant CASwell is a Taiwanese company with its principal place of business at 8F, No. 242, Bo’ai Street Shulin District, New Taipei City 23845, Taiwan ROC.

**JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

3. This is a patent suit brought under the United States Patent Act, namely 35 U.S.C. §§ 271, 281, and 284-285, among other laws. This Court has subject-matter jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338(a).

4. Venue is proper in this judicial district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1400(b). Defendant markets, sells, and delivers accused products in this District, directs and instructs customers and end users how to use the accused products in this District, and has committed acts of infringement in this District.

**NOTICE OF RCN'S PATENT**

5. Plaintiff is the owner, by assignment, of U.S. Patent No. 6,671,750 (the “’750 Patent”), titled LAN INTERFACE, which issued on December 30, 2003. A copy of the ’750 Patent is attached hereto as Exhibit PX-750.

6. RCN possesses all rights of recovery under the Asserted Patents.

7. Defendant has been on notice of the ’750 Patent at least as early as the date it received service of this complaint.

**CASWELL'S PRODUCTS**

8. On information and belief, CASwell makes, imports, sells, offers to sell, distributes, licenses, markets and/or uses Network Adaptors such as BPC-51121, NIC-51021, BPC-50120, NIC-50020, and NIC-51010 (“the Accused Products”).

The Accused Products conform with the IEEE 802.3az Energy Efficient Ethernet (EEE). <https://www.cas-well.com/products/network-adapters-and-modules/1gbef-network-adapters/nic51010.html>. This mode saves energy by putting part of the transmission circuit into low power mode when a link is idle so that the Ethernet links use power only during data transmission. The Accused Products also provide a wake-on LAN functionality.



## NIC-51010

1000 BaseT Network Adapter For Medical LAN Solution

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### 1-GbE NIC (Standard)

- Intel I210 PCI-Express 2.0 MAC+PHY Controller
- 1x RJ-45 GbE Port
- 1x Standard PCIe Gen2
- Network isolator: RJ45 in/out dielectric strength 4kV, IEC 60601-1
- 1 Gb/s Ethernet IEEE 802.3, 802.3u, 802.3ab PHY specifications compliant
- IEEE 802.3az Energy Efficient Ethernet
- Audio-Video Bridging (AVB) support (IEEE 802.1Qav)

*Id.*

## Specification

Platform	
Form Factor	Standard NIC Module
LAN Controller	Intel I210AT
Ethernet Port	1 x RJ-45 GbE Port
Bypass	-
Bus Type	1 x Standard PCIe Gen2
Compliance	IEEE 802.3az Energy Efficient Ethernet IEEE 1588 Precision Clock Synchronization Audio-Video Bridging (AVB) Support
Dimension (WxDxH)	56mm x 120mm x 18mm (2.2" x 4.72" x 0.71")
Operation & Certifications	
Operating Environment	Temperature: 0 – 55°C (32 – 131°F) Humidity: 20 – 90% RH
Storage Environment	Temperature: 0 – 70°C (32 – 158°F) Humidity: 5 – 95% RH @ 55°C
Certification	CE/FCC
EMC	Generic emission standard for industrial environments (Emission): EN 55022 and EN55011 class B Generic standards- Immunity for industrial environments (Immunity): EN 61000-6-2; EN 60601-1-2
OS Support	Linux / Windows / FreeBSD

*Id.*

## **COUNT I** **INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 6,671,750**

9. Plaintiff realleges and incorporates by reference the allegations in the preceding paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.

10. The '750 Patent is valid, enforceable, and was duly issued in full compliance with Title 35 of the United States Code.

11. Plaintiff is the owner by assignment of the '750 Patent.

12. The Accused Products are designed to connect to provide interactive services using applications.

13. Upon information and belief, Defendant has infringed and continues to

infringe one or more claims, including Claim 1, of the '750 Patent by making, using, importing, selling, and/or, offering for sale the Accused Products in the United States without authority.

14. Defendant has infringed and continues to infringe the '750 Patent either directly or through the acts of inducement in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271.

15. Defendant encourages others, including their customers, to use the Accused Products in the United States without authority.

16. Claim 6 of the '750 Patent recites:

6. A LAN interface comprising:

a LAN controller for processing a signal transmitted from a terminal connected to an I/O bus and then transmitting a processed signal to said counter device, and for processing a signal transmitted from said counter device and then transmitting a processed signal to said connection device;

a separator connected between said LAN controller and said I/O bus, for electrically disconnecting said LAN controller from said I/O bus; and

a link pulse detector for operating on a predetermined voltage supplied via said I/O bus and detecting a link pulse from said counter device connected to said connection port; and

wherein said link pulse detector, when detecting a link pulse output from the counter device, controls the LAN controller and the isolation section to controllably bring them to an operation state thereof and, when not detecting a link pulse output from the counter device, controls the LAN controller and the isolation section to controllably bring them to a non-operation state.

17. As exemplified in the information referenced in the above paragraphs and the use of one or more of the Accused Products, the Accused Products include a LAN interface that has LAN controller for processing a signal transmitted from a terminal connected to an I/O bus and then transmitting a processed signal to said counter device, and for processing a signal transmitted from said counter device and then transmitting a processed signal to said connection device.

18. The Accused Products have a LAN interface that has a separator connected between said LAN controller and said I/O bus, for electrically disconnecting said LAN controller from said I/O bus.

19. The LAN interface includes a link pulse detector for operating on a predetermined voltage supplied via said I/O bus and detecting a link pulse from said counter device connected to said connection port.

20. In operation, the link pulse detector, when detecting a link pulse output from the counter device, controls the LAN controller and the isolation section to

controllably bring them to an operation state thereof and, when not detecting a link pulse output from the counter device, controls the LAN controller and the isolation section to controllably bring them to a non-operation state.

21. Defendant's infringing activities are and have been without authority or license under the '750 Patent.

22. Plaintiff is entitled to recover from Defendant the damages sustained by Plaintiff as a result of Defendant's infringing acts, which, by law, cannot be less than a reasonable royalty, together with interest and costs as fixed by this Court, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 284.

**PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully requests the Court enter judgment against Defendant:

1. declaring that the Defendant has infringed the '750 Patent;
2. awarding Plaintiff its damages suffered as a result of Defendant's infringement of the '750 Patent;
3. awarding Plaintiff its costs, attorneys' fees, expenses, and prejudgment and post-judgment interest; and
4. granting Plaintiff such further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

**JURY DEMAND**

Plaintiff hereby demands a trial by jury of all issues so triable pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 38.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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